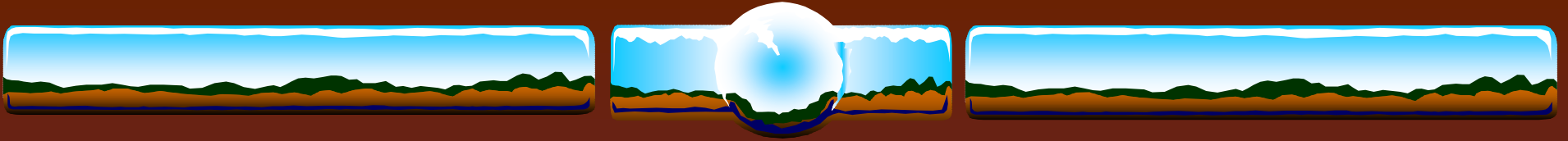


What This All Means in the Field... One State's Perspective

Susan Jones -Hard, Program Manager
Emergency Management Program
Colorado Department of Public Health &
Environment



GroundBreakingProcess

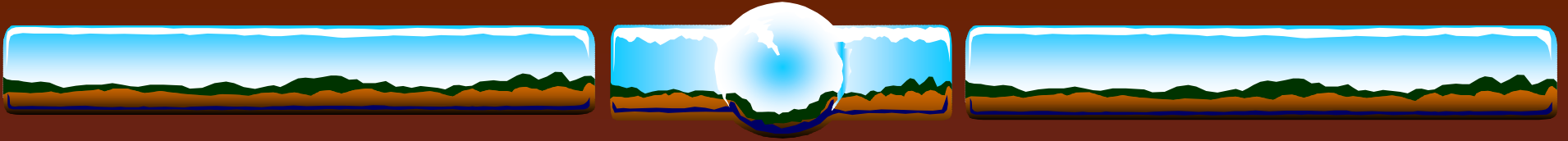
- ❖ Significant effort to collect comprehensive data
- ❖ First introduction of local health agencies into traditional world of emergency management and response
- ❖ Creates framework upon which to establish targeted development programs



State&LocalChallenges

- ❖ Verylaborintensive — sellingandcollecting
- ❖ Frustratingdataentry process
- ❖ Lacksautomaticdevice forusingdataatthelowest commondenominator





Creative Strategies

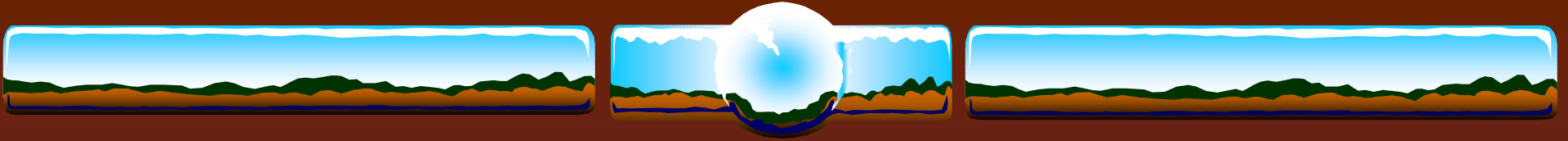
- ❖ Regional Workshops
- ❖ Leveraging planning dollars to encourage participation
- ❖ Short Forms and Hard Copy completion
- ❖ New tools for using data
- ❖ Long-range, interagency planning for project development and maintenance
- ❖ HAN Testing
- ❖ Tying up loose ends?



Paradox

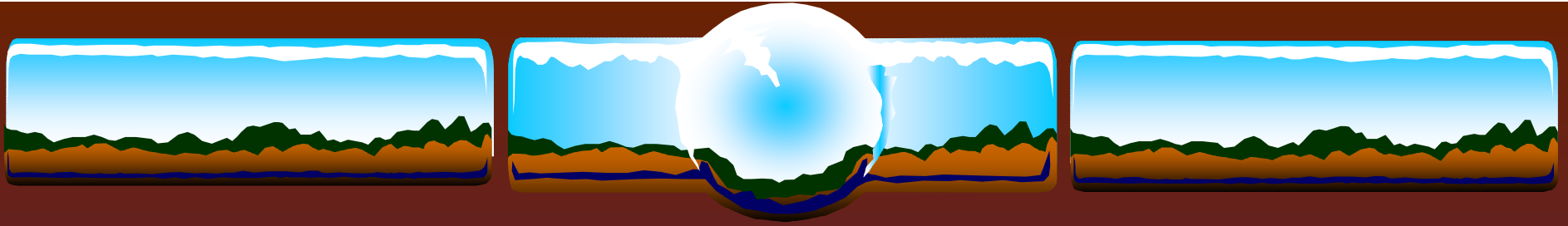


- ❖ Less interest by emergency response than local health
- ❖ Higher participation from nursing services than HDs
- ❖ Emergency managers were often the least involved
- ❖ Rethinking the process...



Issues for Future Consideration

- ❖ Will states without funding spearhead the process in local communities?
- ❖ What picture is painted with only partial participation?
- ❖ Now that we know the answers to the questions, how do we pay for the answers?
- ❖ How long does it take to effect a paradigm shift?
- ❖ Will interest remain high when funding dwindles?



Questions???

SusanJones -Hard

Phone:(303)692 -3019

e-mail:susan.jones@state.co.us

ThankYou!